

Teleivate Launches FirstNet Planning Services (5/24/12)

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Teleivate, a communications and IT consulting firm for public safety and critical infrastructure industries, launched its FirstNet planning services offering. The services are designed to support and assist public-safety, state, local and federal agencies, and their potential private and non-profit sector partners in preparation for the nationwide public-safety broadband network (NPSBN).

“Stakeholders at all levels of government need to be engaged, informed, prepared and data-driven in their research, evaluation and decision-making to successfully construct and sustain FirstNet,” said Teleivate Managing Partner Rick Burke. “This monumental effort requires thorough assessments, planning, financial analysis, costs modeling, design evaluations and implementation support to rapidly meet forthcoming requirements and deadlines set by the NTIA.”

Teleivate’s FirstNet Services provide:

- Implementation strategies, including National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) request for information (RFI) response preparation
- Asset inventory and evaluation
- System design
- Financial modeling and cost analysis
- Private partnership evaluation

- Grant and funding support
- Program management

The core of Televate's FirstNet services was developed during the course of several successful large metropolitan area broadband projects, including the nation's first public-safety broadband network launched in the District of Columbia in 2004. More recently, Televate assisted the state of Minnesota in its comprehensive public-safety broadband study released last month.

"We believe our proven expertise in designing, implementing and operating public-safety broadband systems will directly benefit future FirstNet users to quickly understand and meet the future technological and funding requirements of the NPSBN," said Burke. "With a portfolio that includes several of the 700 MHz waiver jurisdictions, Televate can help organizations jumpstart their broadband planning activities today and will serve as a trusted partner for FirstNet deployments."

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